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Financial irregularities uncovered at Indian River Marina

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A state audit has turned up more than \$100,000 in questionable or undocumented financial transactions at the Indian River Marina, issues uncovered duirng a probe that followed the ouster of the state-owned site's manager last year.

In a report released today, Auditor of Accounts R. Thomas Wagner Jr. listed problems ranging from preferential treatment for fuel charges by some customers to undocumented purchases, unverified claims for compensatory time and weaknesses in accounting systems and tracking of receipts for newly built rental cottages.

DNREC officials previously had declined to explain the reasons for Marina Manager Gary King's departure from Indian River. Local lawmakers had questioned the agency repeatedly about reports of problems at the marina, now wrapping up a \$15 million park overhaul that includes new cottages, docks, dry boat storage and other facilities.

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